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SUBJECT: DYNALECTRON PEANUT PROJECT

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1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF FRENCH TEXT OF PRESIDENTIALLY APPROVED TELEX SENT JULY 30 TO HRI TECHNICAL SERVICES PRESIDENT E.A. KELLY BY PRESIDENTIAL ECONOMIC ADVISOR BABA MOUSSA:

QUOTE: PLEASED TO CONFIRM FOLLOWING:

FIRST IF GERMAN LOAN AVAILABLE, DAHOMEAN GOVERNMENT WILL PROCEED WITH OPEN, INTERNATIONAL BIDDING FOR CARRYING OUT COTTON/PEANUT OIL PROJECT STOP HRI WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN BIDDING. SECONDLY, IF FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER GERMAN LOAN ALLOCATED DIFFERENTLY, GOVERNMENT DAHOMEY EXPECTS TURN TO HRI TO CARRY OUT PROJECT STOP YOU WILL BE INFORMED FINAL DECISION DAHOMEAN GOVERNMENT BY END AUGUST AT LATEST. UNQUOTE

2. AT MY JULY 27 MEETING WITH HIM, BABA MOUSSA SAID THAT FEASIBILITY STUDY BY KREDITANSTALT FUR WEIDERHAUFBAN (KFW) NOT COMPLETED, THAT KFW WANTED HIM TO VISIT GERMANY TO REVIEW FINDINGS THUS FAR AND ANSWER MORE QUESTIONS BEFORE PUTTING REPORT IN FINAL FORM, THAT HE ASSUMES KFW APPRAISAL WILL BE NEGATIVE, THAT HE SCHEDULED TO VISIT FRANKFURT EARLY AUGUST AFTER WHICH MRGD WILL MAKE IMMEDIATE
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DECISION TO REACTIVATE HRI PROPOSAL UNLESS KFW DECIDES DURING VISIT

TO RECOMMEND LOAN FOR PEANUT PROJECT. WHEN I REFERRED TO LENGTHY, INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSIONS WHICH KEPT HRI REPRESENTATIVE ED NEER COOLING HIS HEELS IN COTONOU LAST FALL, BABA MOUSSA SAID THIS WOULD NOT HAPPEN AGAIN. IF GERMAN LOAN NOT USED, HE SAID, THERE WILL BE NO DELAY IN PROCEEDING WITH HRI PROJECT "AS IT HAS ALREADY RECEIVED GOVERNMENT APPROVAL AND WOULD HAVE BEEN SELECTED IF MRGD HAD NOT DECIDED AT LAST MOMENTON FINANCING PROJECT WITH GERMAN LOAN".

3. COMMENT: HRI AND WE KNOW BABA MOUSSA HAS ALWAYS FAVORED HRI PROPOSAL.

HE NOW HAS COMMITMENT AT HIGHEST LEVEL TO COMMUNICATE FINAL DECISION BEFORE END OF AUGUST. IF MRGD OPTS FOR HRI, RECOMMEND THAT HRI SEEK ASSURANCE FROM BABA MOUSSA THAT MRGD READY TO NEGOTIATE DEFINITIVE CONTRACT WITHOUT UNDUE DELAY IF REPRESENTATIVE COMES TO COTONOU. THIS WILL HELP HIM WITH LOCAL BUREAUCRACY.

4. PLEASE PASS FOREGOING TO PRESIDENT KELLY (CODE 305-592-1870).
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